regarding the progressive use of Hindi in Official work by the Ministry from its various Section|Media Units. In addition to the above, inspections of the various demia units are also carried out periodically to have an on-the-spot assessment with regard to the use of Hindi in Official work. Thus, all possible efforts are being made by the Ministry to promote the use of Hindi in Official work.

Film Division Library

3429. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the number of films available with the Films Division in their liberary;

(b) what efforts have been made by Government to give wide publicity so that greater revenue can be generated through the sale of these films; and

(c) if so, the details thereof; and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) The number of films available in the Films Division's library is 7986.

(b) and (c) The Films Division brings out catalogues of films and circulates them in order to promote sales. The Division has transferred many films on video cassettes which are on sale at the Division's headquarters at Bombay and its various branch offices. A memorandum of understanding has been entered into with the National Film Development Corporation Ltd. (NFDC) for telecast of the Division's films on Doordarshan. The NFDC has also been authorised to sell the Division's films abroad. The Division participates in various international film festivals. In addition, the Division organises Bombay International Film Festival for documentary, short and animation films once in two years. These measures publicise the Division's films and generate revenue. The Division has also a scheme for "creation of marketing and sales promtion cell" for implementation during the VIII Plan period.

Alternate telecast of Network Programme

3430. SHRIMATI ANANDIBEN JETHABHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(e) whether any suggestion have also telecast the national and network programme alternatively from Delhi and Bombay to make entertainment programmes more attractive;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any proposal has been received by Government and the action taken thereon; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Quality of Doordarshan Programmes

3431. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the quality of the programmes being shown on Doordarshan has fallen considerably;

(b) if so, whether there is still widespread flow of foreign TV network in the country; and

(c) if so, what steps Government propose to take to check the flow of foreign TV network in the country?